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YOUR FINGERS,
SQUEEKS! THAT'S
ALL WE
CAN DO!

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THIS DRAWBRIDGE
WILL END OUR
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"DANGEROUS CURVES"

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WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT PIMPLES

Acne, Blackheads, and other externally caused Skin Blemishes



WHEN pimply skin is your problem, the first thing to get straight is that you *can* and *should* do something about it. To develop the attractiveness of your face is not mere vanity. It is an "open sesame" towards bringing the real **YOU** closer to other people and giving your personality the poise and confidence it needs. Your good qualities—intelligence, character, dignity—all go to naught...are completely cancelled out by a skin that "nobody loves to touch." Remember, the **YOU** that peoples first is your face.

SKIN PROBLEMS

DEMAND IMMEDIATE CARE

Medical statistics tell us that blemished skin usually occurs from adolescence on through adult life. The problem at the adolescent stage is serious enough to deserve attentive care as a family matter. In adulthood, when life's responsibilities are so much weightier, it is doubly important to exert great effort to eliminate these blemishes. And, there is no better time to get pimples under control than now.

DON'T ABUSE SKIN

The first instinctive reaction to pimples and blackheads is to squeeze them out with your fingers. A bit of expert manipulation along these lines soon provides convincing proof that this succeeds only in inflaming your skin and spreading the infection. Under no circumstances should pimples and blackheads ever be squeezed.



MICROSCOPE SHOWS IMPORTANT BASIS FOR EXTERNALLY CAUSED PIMPLES AND BLACKHEADS

Let's take a look through the microscope to see what's behind those unsightly pimples. The high-powered lenses show your skin coated with a covering which originated from two sources—one, internally and the other, externally.

The internal substances on your skin include dead cells, residue from the sweat glands, and a high quantity of oil excreted by the sebaceous glands. A most important factor in skin disorders occurs when thousands of these tiny sebaceous glands discharge more oil than the skin can use for lubrication. Unless special care is given, the oil forms a heavy film which attracts foreign matter to your skin much as any oil mop picks up dust. These infectious external substances may be classified into three general groups:

1. Airborne materials such as dust, pollen, condensation products of smoke, vapor, etc.
2. Materials brought in contact with the skin, such as tiny fragments of clothing, bedding, cosmetics.
3. Micro-organisms such as bacteria and fungi.

See the difference between a healthy skin and a pimply skin in the microscopic reproductions below.



A. Normal skin

B. Sick, pimply skin

Diagram A shows a normal-size, smoothly-functioning sebaceous gland. Diagram B pictured sick, pimply skin. Notice that the sebaceous gland is a swollen mass of trapped oil, waste and infectious bacteria.

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CRIMEBUSTER

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STORY BY
**CHARLES
BIRO**

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DON'T! YOU'LL
NEVER MAKE
IT! OHHH...
THE CRAZY
FOOL!

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SLOW

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Charles Biro





OKAY, IRON JAW! NOW WHAT?

FIRST WE STOP AT THE HIDEOUT AND PICK UP FROGFACE AND STRANGLER!



LOOK! IT'S IRON JAW! AND HE'S SWIPED A POLICE WAGON! WHAT A GUY! DIDJA KNOW OFF CRIME-BUSTER THE WAY YOU PLANNED?

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YOU!!

STEP OUT OF THE WAY, IRON JAW!

WE'LL PICK HIM OFF!



C'MON, LET'S GO! THE POLICE WITH IRON JAW!

CURSES! HE PULLED FREE!













THE RIVER AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CANYON MAY BE A FOOT DEEP OR IT MAY BE A THOUSAND FEET DEEP; THE LONGEST FALL TO BE MADE AND SURVIVED BY ANYONE WAS OVER A HUNDRED FEET BY A WORKMAN WHO RECENTLY FELL DOWN AN ELEVATOR SHAFT! CAN IRON JAW SURVIVE A FALL SO MANY TIMES GREATER AND WITH SO MANY MORE TERRIBLE HAZARDS?



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THE TALKATIVE TERRIER



SCARECROW trudged down the road toward the red barn, kicking the toes of his rather large shoes in the dust in disgust. Just because he couldn't do that algebra problem he'd had to stay after school all this time. It didn't seem fair. Well, he thought, that's what I get for having such a thick skull.

Scarecrow walked by Pezey Greene's house and looked up. There on the porch was Rachel, Pezey's terrier pup. Just as Scarecrow looked up into Rachel's big brown eyes, he heard her say, "Hi, Scarecrow!"

Scarecrow answered, "Hi, Rachel," and continued scuffling his way toward home. "What?" he suddenly gasped. "That dog said 'hi'!" He did a double take, turned around and stared in amazement at the dog who was still placidly sitting on the porch watching him.

Scarecrow gulped and said in a hoarse whisper, "Did you say 'hi' to me, Rachel?"

"Sure," answered the dog placidly. "Why not?"

Scarecrow scratched his head and thought, "Why not? She's right. Why shouldn't she say 'hi'. I said 'hi' to her. Wait a minute!" He gathered himself together and ran up the porch steps.

"Hey, Pezey!" he called. "Are you home?"

"Sure," calmly answered Pezey who had been sitting on the porch all this time.

"Pezey," gasped Scarecrow, "Rachel, er, I mean, do you know, oh it can't be . . ."

"What's the matter, Scarecrow?" asked Pezey. "What are you excited about?"

"Well," blinked Scarecrow, "Nothing, except, well, Rachel said 'hi' to me."

"Oh sure," answered Pezey. "She's very friendly."

"Friendly?" queried Scarecrow. "Oh, I know she's friendly, but . . ."

"Then, what's the matter, Scarecrow?" asked Pezey.

"Well," continued Scarecrow, "It's just that dogs don't usually talk."

"Oh," answered Pezey, "but, Rachel does. I thought you knew."

"Sure I do," added Rachel.

The baffled Scarecrow looked from one to the other, scratched his head and backed down the stairs. "Well, so long Pezey, see ya later," he stammered. "And er, good-by, Rachel."

Scarecrow walked away as fast as he could, trying not to be obvious about it. As soon as he was out of sight of Pezey's house he really put on the steam. His mind was going around in circles. "A talking dog," he thought, "it's impossible. But I guess it isn't. If it's true — and it must be — Pezey could really cash in on that talent." The more Scarecrow thought, the more ideas he had and he couldn't wait to tell the Wise Guys about his discovery. He became more and more excited and soon was running as fast as he could down the road toward the barn. As Scarecrow ran into the barn he was greeted by the three other Wise Guys indifferently.

"What are you so breathless about?" queried Curly.

"I've just run into the discovery of the age," answered Scarecrow solemnly.

"You mean you finally got that algebra problem through your head?" asked Jock.

"Algebra?" answered Scarecrow. "Oh, no, I mean, yes, I did. But this is something else."

"Well," sighed Slugger. "give! What's on your mind?"

"Pezey has a talking dog!" Scarecrow said authoritatively.

"You're dreaming, Scarecrow," said Curly in a disinterested voice.

"Dreaming?" exclaimed Scarecrow. "I walked by Pezey's and Rachel said 'hi'!"

"Really, Scarecrow," reprimanded Jock. "what are you trying to pull?"

"I'm not pulling anything," said Scarecrow, getting more excited all the time. "Rachel can talk and Pezey knows it and

(Turn page for continuation of story.)

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doesn't seem to think there's anything unusual about it at all."

"This I will not believe until I see — or hear," said Slugger with finality.

"All right," said Scarecrow disgustedly, "if you won't believe me I'll get Patey to bring Rachel over here tonight and prove it to you." With that final statement Scarecrow rushed to the phone and called Patey. When he came back he reported that Patey and Rachel would be over after supper.

"I wonder why Patey has never mentioned the fact that Rachel could talk," queried Curly.

"Well, we really haven't known Patey very long," answered Jack.

"That's right," continued Slugger. "Patey and his family just moved to town last month and we're only beginning to really know Patey."

"I guess that's the answer," mused Scarecrow, "but, if I had a talking dog, people would know about it long before they even knew me."

"Well," commented Jack, "maybe Patey doesn't think it's unusual."

"Have you ever met Patey's family?" asked Curly.

"No, have you?" answered Scarecrow. "He doesn't have any brothers or sisters, and it seems his father is on the road most of the time. He must be a salesman or something."

Just at that point in the conversation, the Wise Guys heard a whistle outside the barn and they knew it was Patey arriving.

"Hi, Patey," greeted Jack, as he threw open the door welcoming Patey and Rachel in.

"Hello, Wise Guys," answered Patey. "Gee, you're nice to ask us over."

"Sure are," echoed Rachel.

"What!" Jack jumped at the sound of Rachel's voice.

"Real nice," continued Rachel, nonplussed.

"That dog really does talk, doesn't she?" muttered Curly to Patey. "We didn't believe Scarecrow when he told us."

"Oh, sure she does," answered Patey.

"Natch," muttered Rachel, as she stretched herself out on the floor and made herself thoroughly at home.

"But, but," stammered Slugger, "dogs don't talk!"

"Rachel does," answered Patey unabashed.

"Sure," yawned Rachel. With that final statement she curled up and went to sleep.

"Well, listen Patey," Scarecrow pursued the subject, "you may not know it, but you have a very unusual dog."

"I realize that," answered Patey. "She's very affectionate."

"I don't mean that," Scarecrow continued. "I mean you really could coin money on a dog like that."

"Oh, you mean put on a show or something," asked Patey innocently.

"Sure," Scarecrow continued, "you'd be on easy street."

"Maybe you're right," answered Patey. "But Rachel's kind of shy. She only likes

to talk to friends. I couldn't put her through all that."

"Oh," gulped Scarecrow.

Rachel slept the evening away without uttering another word. The Wise Guys and Patey got well acquainted and as Patey left, the Wise Guys felt he really might seriously consider at least putting on a show at school starring "Rachel the Talking Dog."

"So long, Patey, see you at school tomorrow," they said.

"Good-by, Wise Guys," answered Patey genially. "Thanks for a good time."

"Thanks," muttered Rachel as she raced out the door after Patey.

The Wise Guys looked at each other in speechless amazement and went to bed without further ado.

The next evening the Wise Guys were gathered at dinner and were still amazed and overcome by the idea of a talking dog. As they were ready to dive into a superb meal of corned beef and cabbage they heard a timid scratch at the door. Scarecrow dropped everything and ran to the barn door. As he opened it, he stopped dead in his tracks and muttered, "Oh, good evening Rachel, come in."

Much to Scarecrow's surprise, Rachel didn't say a word but came through the door and made herself very much at home.

"Hi, Rachel," attempted Slugger, hoping to get an answer but the only reply was a soulful look from Rachel's big brown eyes.

"How are you tonight, Rachel?" asked Jack politely, hoping for some response. Rachel only wagged her tail and settled down for a snooze.

"Well, she's speechless!" muttered Curly. "I don't understand."

While they pondered over the silence of Rachel they heard a knock at the door. "Oh hello, Patey," greeted Jack as he opened the door.

"Hi, Wise Guys," said Patey. "Have you seen Rachel? Oh, there she is. Well, I'm relieved. She never goes away from home, but now I guess she knows who her friends are. Hi, Rachel."

Rachel's big eyes opened and she muttered, "Hi Patey," then she drooped off again.

"Patey," demanded Slugger, "we're really baffled. Rachel wouldn't say anything to us when she came tonight. I began to think we'd just dreamed last night that she could talk. What goes?"

"Nothing goes," answered Patey calmly. "She just lost her tongue. I've been thinking about what we talked about last night — I mean about putting on a show at school. I think it's a great idea."

"Really, Patey," Scarecrow exclaimed excitedly, "you're sure Rachel won't mind?"

"Rachel won't mind," continued Patey. "In fact, she'd love it. In fact, I can't hold out on you any longer — Rachel can't talk, really."

"But she can," muttered Slugger. "I heard her."

"Well, it's a secret," continued Patey. "My Pop is on the road all the time. He's in show business and I've just learned a few tricks from him. He's a ventriloquist."

"That's right," sighed Rachel.

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THAT PRECIOUS AMERICAN CODE OF LAW—THAT A PERSON IS INNOCENT IN THE EYES OF THE LAW UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY—HAS SAVED THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT PEOPLE FROM DEATH AND PRISON THROUGH THE CAVALCADE OF OUR HISTORY! YET, AS INDIVIDUALS, MANY PEOPLE CONCLUDE A PERSON'S GUILT BY SNAP JUDGMENT! WITH SOME PISHEADS, A FRAGMENT OF SUSPICION IS ENOUGH TO SWEAR A GOOD PERSON WITH THAT UGLY SIX-LETTER WORD, "GUILTY"! EVEN LOOVER, A MAN WITH LONG EXPERIENCE IN CRIME DETECTION, ALLOWED HIMSELF TO JUMP TO CONCLUSIONS! IT TAKES A COOL HEAD AND SOME COMMON SENSE OF THE CRIME-BUSTER BRAND TO IMPARTIALLY WEIGH ALL THE EVIDENCE...

Charles Bird

HURRY MEN! HURRY! HE'S GONNA JUMP!

HI, LOOVER! SAY, WHAT'S UPE YOU LOOK WORRIED!

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

IT'S THIS LETTER, C.B. FROM A GIRL I USED TO KNOW—MUST BE OVER TWENTY YEARS AGO! HERE, READ IT!



SHE WAS A WONDERFUL FRIEND AND I'D REALLY LIKE TO HELP HER, BUT I'M AFRAID THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO FOR THE BOY!

THERE MUST BE SOMETHING! I KNOW HOW TOUGH IT IS FOR KIDS LIKE THAT TO GET ON THEIR FEET AGAIN!



I WOULDN'T WORRY TOO MUCH ABOUT HIM, C.B. THE STATE DOESN'T SEND 'EM THERE UNLESS THEY'VE DONE SOMETHING PRETTY BAD!

YOU KNOW BETTER THAN THAT! THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF KIDS WHO COME OUT OF REFORM SCHOOLS AND BECOME RESPECTED CITIZENS! HE DESERVES A BREAK! I'M GOING TO HELP HIM!



CRIMEBUSTER DRIVES SEVENTY MILES TO THE STATE TRAINING SCHOOL...

IF YOU'D BE WILLING TO RELEASE RICKY, IN MY CLUSTODY, MR. DAVIDSON, I THINK I CAN GET HIM A JOB!

ALL RIGHT, CRIMEBUSTER, YOUR WORD IS CERTAINLY GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME! I'LL HAVE HIM DOWNSTAIRS IN TEN MINUTES!



...AND DON'T FORGET, RICKY, YOU STILL HAVE \$100 COMING — THE MONEY YOU EARNED IN OUR MACHINE SHOP!

THIS SURE IS SWELL OF YOU, CRIMEBUSTER! YOU'LL NEVER REGRET IT!



IF YOU DON'T THINK I'M GETTING TOO PERSONAL, RICKY, WHY WERE YOU SENT AWAY?

THAT'S OKAY, CRIMEBUSTER! I MADE A MISTAKE, I'LL ADMIT IT! I LEE TO RUN AROUND WITH A GANG OF KIDS — NOT BAD — REALLY, BUT STUPID!



ONE NIGHT ONE OF THE GANG GOT THE IDEA OF TAKING SOME STUFF FROM A CIGAR STORE! SOMEBODY TOSSED A ROCK, AND A COP HEARD THE NOISE! HE GRABBED ME BECAUSE I WAS ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE GROUP! THE OTHERS GOT AWAY!



IF I'D HAD ANY SENSE, I'D HAVE QUIT GOING AROUND WITH 'EM BEFORE I GOT INTO TROUBLE, BUT I DIDN'T WANT THEM TO THINK I WAS YELLOW! YOU KNOW HOW IT IS!

I BELIEVE YOU, RICKY, AND I'M GONNA HELP YOU GET A JOB! WHAT SORT OF WORK WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO?



I USED TO WORK IN THE MACHINE SHOP AT THE SCHOOL!

SAY, THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA! I KNOW THE MAN WHO OWNS THE GAS STATION, AND I THINK HE NEEDS AN ASSISTANT!



...THAT'S THE STORY, MR. RUNDLE! WE WANTED YOU TO KNOW EVERYTHING! WHAT DO YOU THINK?

OKAY, CRIMEBUSTER — I'LL BE GLAD TO GIVE HIM A CHANCE! THE DOC TOLD ME TO GET SOME HELP ANYWAY! HOW ABOUT STARTING TOMORROW MORNING, SON?

YOU BET, MR. RUNDLE! AND I SURE APPRECIATE IT!

DON'T THANK ME... I'M GLAD TO HAVE YOU!



...A FEW DAYS LATER...

I JUST WANTED TO CHECK ON RICKY, MR. RUNDLE! HOW'S HE DOING?



FINE, CRIMEBUSTER! I COULDN'T ASK FOR A BETTER WORKER! THANKS FOR BRINGING HIM TO ME!





BOY
 RICK LIKED HIS JOB AND HIS FREEDOM!
 IT WAS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, OR TO
 LAST!



YEAH, WELL, KEEP IN
 TOUCH...

HELLO, THERE
 HANDSOME! DID
 YOU SAVE ME A
 CREAM SODA,
 TODAY?



OH, YEAH! HERE
 YOU ARE, MISS
 GLENDA! ON THE
 HOUSE!

SAY, YOU'RE A
 SPENDER, AREN'T
 YOU? MAYBE I'VE
 BEEN GOING
 AROUND WITH
 THE WRONG
 GUYS!



I SEE YOU'RE FREE
 TONIGHT! HOW ABOUT
 GOING TO THE BASKET-
 BALL GAME WITH
 ME?

GO ON,
 YOU
 DON'T
 MAKE
 ENOUGH
 TO RATE
 A GIRL
 LIKE ME!



YEAH! I'LL HAVE
 YOU KNOW I OWN
 HALF INTEREST IN
 THIS PLACE, AND
 MAKE MORE MONEY
 THAN YOU'LL EVER
 SEE! THAT CHANGE
 YOUR MIND?

MAYBE...
 OKAY,
 HANDSOME,
 PICK ME
 UP AROUND
 EIGHT-
 FIFTEEN!



THINK I'LL KNOCK
 OFF, BICK! CLOSE
 HER UP AT EIGHT!
 OH, BY THE WAY,
 ON YOUR WAY HOME,
 PUT THE MONEY
 IN THE BANK'S
 DEPOSITORY!

OKAY, MR. RUNDLE!
 SAY IF YOU'RE
 GOING TO WALK
 HOME, DO YOU
 MIND IF I BOR-
 ROW YOUR CAR
 TONIGHT?



TO BEATHER YOU WOULDN'T
 BECOME A RICHY! I FEEL RESPONSIBLE
 FOR YOU, AND IF ANYTHING
 HAPPENED... YOU UNDER-
 STAND!



GOLLY, I ALMOST WISH I HADN'T
 TOLD GLENDA ALL THOSE THINGS!
 SHE'LL EXPECT ME TO HAVE A
 BIG CAR AND LOTS OF MONEY...
 AND ALL I'VE GOT IS THREE
 BUCKS AND NO CAR!

MAYBE I COULD JUST BORROW
 A COUPLE... SURE, MY BIGO CHECK
 OUGHT TO COME MONDAY AND I
 CAN MAKE A DEPOSIT THEN!



SHE'LL LAUGH AT ME SURE IF I SHOW
 UP WITHOUT A CAR! PROBABLY NEVER
 SPEAK TO ME AGAIN! COULDN'T BLAME
 HER, EITHER!

HE DID SAY IT WAS BECAUSE HE
 WAS WORRIED ABOUT ME! ALL I
 HAVE TO DO IS BE EXTRA CAREFUL!
 SURE! WHY NOT?























THE END

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

Dear Reader:

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I have read Crimebuster comics for some time now, and I like them so much that I have formed the Crime Busters Club at Franklin, Pa. I liked the story "Lenny Was a Coward" in Sept. 1950.

Harry Heller, President
654 Grant Street
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Dick Gaiselman
329 Garfield St.
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Bill Olsen
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E. Immusa
538 Bristol St.
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